



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICIAL

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Examiner : Heather Calamita  
Serial No. : 09/898,292  
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Inventor : Michèle Amouyal  
Title : CONSTRUCT OF RECOMBINANT  
: NUCLEIC ACIDS CIRCULARIZED BY  
: DNA COMPACTING AGENTS

Customer No.: 035811

Docket No.: 1231-01

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Dated: December 28, 2005

**CLAIM OF EXTENSION OF TIME FOR RESPONSE**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorney, hereby respectfully claim a three (3) month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) extending the time for Response to the outstanding Official Action dated June 28, 2005 from September 28, 2005 to December 28, 2005.

A check in the amount of \$1,020 is being submitted herewith pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b).

Confirmation of the foregoing Extension of Time is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2719. A duplicate copy of this claim is enclosed.

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